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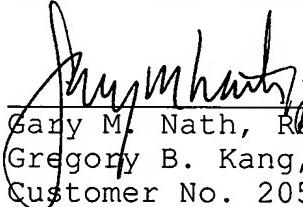
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Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- 1) Information Disclosure Statement;
- 2) PTO Form-1449 with 4 cited References;
- 3) Copies for 3 of the 4 cited References.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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An Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.98. Please note the following particulars: [NOTE: One only of items a, b, c, and d must be checked.]

- [XXX] a. The enclosed statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of a national application, or within three months of the date of entry into the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, whichever event occurs last.
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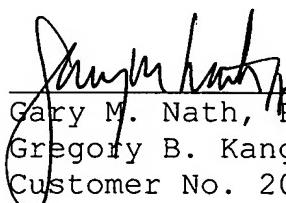
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If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss this application, kindly telephone the undersigned at the below-listed number.

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